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### Building Guttled By Night Fire

The Gertrude Apartments, a three-story, 40-year-old, frame building at the corner of May St. and New Hampshire Ave., was badly gutted by fire last night.

All occupants left the building safely when a tenant smelled smoke and the alarm was turned in about 11:30 p. m. Some personal belongings were removed from some of the apartments but many furnishings and other belongings remaining in the building were damaged or destroyed by fire, smoke and water.

Volunteer firemen, whose efforts in fighting the stubborn blaze were highly praised, worked until after 4 a. m.

Fire was first noticed in the third floor and broke through the roof around a chimney about the time firemen arrived. The entire third floor was burned out, with fire burning down into the second floor in several places.

Fire Chief James Tew said this morning that evidence of fire had been discovered in the basement and that the blaze probably started there, although it first broke out at the top of the structure. He said he did not think the fire originated with the heating system, an oil-fired steam boiler.

"There is every indication the fire started in the basement, probably from wiring, and went up to the roof outside the chimney," Chief Tew said. He explained that the chimney is cased in so that there is an air space between the walls and the masonry of the chimney. As the basement was closed tight this air space conducted the fire up to the roof without its breaking out inside the building. One tenant reported hearing a roaring sound from near the chimney, he said.

The building was insured. One reliable source estimated damage to the building itself at \$10,000.

The structure contained eight apartments, including space on the third floor that has not been rented for three years.

Six apartments are rented on the first and second floors, of which five were rented at the time of the fire.

The building is owned by the George W. Case estate and is managed locally by Max Rush as agent.

By coincidence, Mrs. Albert Ruggles of Kingsport, Tenn., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Case, was here yesterday with her husband, brother of John S. Ruggles of Southern Pines, but left later in the day for a trip to the Outer Banks. Mrs. John Ruggles said this morning that Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ruggles had not yet been located at that time.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Case, Wallace Case, also lives at Kingsport.

Age of the building is estimated at about 40 years. Its heart-pine lumber blazed furiously as fire broke through the roof and it appeared to onlookers that the apartment house was doomed, but firemen, with all local equipment in use and hoses connected to hydrants as far away as Broad St., poured tons of water into the structure. Outside porches at first and second floor levels and roof of a first floor porch across the May St. side of the building, enabled firemen to mount with ladders and have a platform from which to direct water into the interior.

At 9 a. m. today, water was still seeping and dripping into first floor apartments from the rooms above. Strangely, however, there were portions of some of the apartments that remained almost dry. Mr. Rush attributed this to the tight structure of the building.

Tenants of the five occupied apartments at the time of the fire were: Mrs. S. D. Fobes, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dutton, Mr. and Mrs. Betty Long, Mrs. Catherine Schilling and Mrs. Jerry Hardister.



DOUBLE WINNER—Patsy McRee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. McRee of Southern Pines, pictured at center, has a right to smile. After being chosen "Miss Moore County High School" at the Moore County Fair Wednesday night of last week, she was picked as Southern Pines High School Homecoming Queen, by vote of the football squad, at the Homecoming football game with Aberdeen here last Friday night. Crowning her is Karen McKenzie of Southern Pines, last year's Homecoming Queen. At left is Ken Smithson, her escort from the football squad. Eight High School girls, two from each class, competed for the Queen title.

### Many Enter Golf Carousel; 100 Teams Expected

Peter Green, University of North Carolina student from Franklin Hills, Mich., and Raymond Floyd, Fayetteville, are the latest distinguished golfers to enter the annual Southern Pines Jaycees' Golf Carousel, November 17-20.

"Both have outstanding records, are fine young men and we are very happy to have them enter our tournament," tournament chairman Tom Ruggles said. Green, 19, was runnerup in the North-South amateur last spring and competed in the National Amateur this summer in St. Louis. Floyd, son of a Fayetteville pro, won the National Jaycee golf tournament this summer. The 17-year-old is an extremely polished player for his age and hits a tremendously long ball.

"These two present a formidable team," Ruggles said, "but despite their records they hardly will be conceded the title for we have many more who will be in the midst of the championship battle."

At this moment it doesn't appear that defending champions Bob Galloway, Winston-Salem, and Ed Justa, Rocky Mount, will return as a team since Galloway is presently serving a six-months stint of Army duty. However, Justa is trying to line up a partner.

Entries are still pouring in and there is no doubt that 1960 will reach a record peak for entrants in the Carousel. The field will (Continued on page 8)

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A new registration of 2,115 in the period that closed Saturday brings the total number of registrations in Moore County to 18,772. Sam C. Riddle, chairman of the Moore County board of elections, said today. This is the largest number of voters ever registered in the county, he said, and the outlook is that a record-breaking number of them will vote.

Polls in all 18 precincts will be open from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m. The new registrations include 424 in Southern Pines, 238 in Aberdeen, 151 in Pinehurst and 98 in Pinebluff precincts.

Three Ballots

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For Supt. of Public Instruction, Charles F. Carroll, Mary Jo Zachary. For Attorney General: Thomas Wade Bruton, Donald L. Paschal.

For Commissioner of Agriculture: L. Y. Ballentine, A. H. Farmer. For Commissioner of Labor, Frank Crane, T. Paul Messick.

For Commissioner of Insurance: Charles F. Gold, J. E. Cameron. For Associate Justice of Supreme Court: R. Hunt Parker, Paul C. West.

For Associate Justice of Supreme Court: Clifton L. Moore, no Republican candidate. For Judge, Fifth Judicial District: Rudolph I. Mintz, no Republican candidate.

For Judge, Eighth Judicial District: Albert W. Cowper, no Republican candidate. For U. S. Senator: B. Everette Jordan, Kyle Hayes.

For Member of Congress, Eighth Congressional District: A. Paul Kitchin, A. M. Snipes. STATE SENATE AND HOUSE AND COUNTY OFFICES



VOTING REMINDER—Over 1,100 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Explorers in Moore County are going out this week to hang these liberty bell reminders on doorknobs of householders, to urge citizens to vote in the election Tuesday, November 8. They are distributing some 10,000 of the reminders in this county. Raymond Wilson, in doorway, greeted a trio composed of Cub Scout James Trudell, Boy Scout Jerry Wilson and Explorer Frank Staples, all boys from local Scouting units. Mrs. Ira Turner, president of the Auxiliary of John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, said this week that the VFW Auxiliary, nationwide, also is carrying on a get-out-the-vote campaign. (Humphrey photo)

### Funeral Held At Aberdeen For Drowned Child

Funeral services were held this afternoon at Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Aberdeen, for Pamela Anita Monroe, 16-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Monroe of Pinebluff, who was accidentally drowned in an outdoor pool at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Monroe in Pinebluff Tuesday.

Dr. W. C. Neill, pastor of the church, officiated. Burial was in the family plot in Old Bethesda Cemetery near Aberdeen.

The pool in which the child drowned was described as about six feet wide and 12 inches deep. The child and her mother were at the home. The mother went to look for the little girl after she had disappeared for only a few minutes, it was reported.

Survivors are the child's parents and a brother, Charles, Jr., three years old.

### Kiwanis Elects Dr. VanderVoort New President

Dr. C. Robert VanderVoort of Southern Pines who practices dentistry in Aberdeen, was elected president of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club Wednesday, during the club's luncheon meeting at the Hollywood Hotel.

Other officers elected are: Thomas R. Howerton, vice-president; and John L. Ponzer, treasurer.

Newly elected directors are: the Rev. Martin Caldwell, Neil McKay, Jack Taylor, Dr. R. Bruce Warlick, Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., Joseph E. Sandlin and William C. Sledge.

### St. Anthony PTA Will Meet Thursday, Nov. 10

Regular meeting of the St. Anthony School Parent-Teacher Association will be held Thursday night of next week, November 10, at 8 p. m. in the school auditorium.

### Holiday Lights To Be Installed; Donations Asked

A Junior Chamber of Commerce committee headed by N. L. Hodgkins, Jr., is planning a distinctive new Christmas lighting project for Southern Pines.

Other members of the Jaycee committee are Joe Kimball, Clyde Smith and Dale Cox. The group met recently with representatives of the Town Advertising Committee, which has appropriated funds to aid the project, the Southern Pines Garden Club, Carolina Power and Light Co. and representatives of the merchants.

The project as planned calls for placing 26 cedar trees about eight feet tall along the street side of the Seaboard right of way where they will blend with the natural planting. The trees will have individual strings of lights. The trees will be placed at intervals for about four blocks on both sides of the railroad.

Merchants will be asked to help finance the lighting program, Mr. Hodgkins said. There will be an over-all budget of about \$500.

It is expected that the Garden Club will again light the big magnolia on the corner of Broad St. and Pennsylvania Ave. and the post office will spotlight the big holly tree in the post office yard.

Labor and the trees will be furnished by the Jaycees.

### Vocational Guidance Day Set For Students

More than 500 Seniors from 11 Moore County High Schools are expected to take part on Tuesday, November 8, in Vocational Guidance Day sponsored by the Sandhills Kiwanis Club. The program is conducted annually at the Southern Pines High School.

In addition to more than a dozen persons who will discuss various occupations and professions, representatives from 32 colleges, Margaret's Church, performed the be present to answer questions about their institutions. Parents are invited to attend this portion of the program with their sons and daughters.

### 'Bill Fisher Day' To Honor General

A committee of Southern Pines residents, headed by Jack S. Younts, is planning a "Bill Fisher Day" on November 16 to welcome to Southern Pines Major General William P. Fisher, Air Force officer who is a native of this country. He is the son of Mrs. Elinor Fisher of Southern Pines.

Preliminary plans for the event, Mr. Younts said, include an appearance of General Fisher, who commands the Eastern Transport Air Force, MATS, at McGuire AFB in New Jersey, at the Southern Pines High School, of which he is a graduate; his attendance at the Sandhills Kiwanis Club luncheon meeting; and a welcoming ceremony at the town hall. Details of the program will be announced next week.

### Democrats To Gather Tonight

Democrats from over the county will gather at Elise High School cafeteria in Robbins tonight (Thursday) in the last county-wide rally before Tuesday's election.

Rep. A. Paul Kitchin, of Wadesboro, candidate for reelection as Eighth District Congressman, will be the featured speaker.

All Democratic county candidates are expected to attend. The rally will begin with a free barbecue chicken supper at 7:30 p. m.

The public is invited.

Rooms of the high school. They will be divided into two periods: 10:15 to 10:55 and 11:00 to 11:40, with the schedule so arranged that the students can hear more than one discussion if they so desire.

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### Republican Candidates Tell Platforms; GOP Rally Hears Washington Speaker

Republican candidates for county and state offices were joined by a visiting speaker from Washington—Elmer Bennett, Under Secretary of the Interior, in swinging haymakers at the Democratic party, last Thursday night, to climax the liveliest campaign conducted hereabouts by the GOP in many years.

The rally in Weaver Auditorium, with County GOP Chairman James E. Harrington of Pinehurst, who is also a candidate for the State Senate from Moore, presiding, concluded a series of meetings held over the county in the past few weeks.

Mr. Bennett, a native of Colorado and a member of the Republican national "Truth Squad" that is touring the nation on behalf of the Nixon-Lodge ticket, warned against the loss of individual liberties and the growing power of Democratic bureaucracy in Washington.

He praised the "basic soundness of the traditional type of Southern Democrat" and said that "the great conservative, moderate forces of the nation must unite, or we lose the traditional way of life that has made this nation."

Mr. Harrington, who presided as chairman of the Moore County Republican Executive Committee, announced that A. M. Snipes of Elkin, GOP candidate for Congress from the 8th District, was unable to be present because of his wife's illness.

The meeting was opened with invocation by Father Francis Smith of Southern Pines and closed with benediction by the Rt. Rev. Louis Melcher of Pine-

hurst, Republican candidate for the State Senate; Drewry Troutman—Elmer Bennett, Under Secretary of the Interior, in swinging haymakers at the Democratic party, last Thursday night, to climax the liveliest campaign conducted hereabouts by the GOP in many years.

Other county candidates introduced were: W. C. Garner of Robbins, and Floyd Cole of West End, candidates for county commissioners.

### Recorder's Court: W. Lamont Brown, no Republican candidate.

For Surveyor: Charles M. McLeod, no Republican candidate. For County Commissioners

District No. 1: John M. Currie, J. J. Pilsen. District No. 2: T. R. Monroe, W. C. Garner.

District No. 3: L. R. Reynolds, no Republican candidate. District No. 4: James M. Pleasants, Harry H. Pethick.

District No. 5: W. Sidney Taylor, Floyd T. Cole. For Board of Education

District No. 1: T. Roy Phillips, Alex H. Thomas. District No. 2: J. A. Culbertson, Sr., Frank H. Trotter.

District No. 3: R. H. Upchurch, no Republican candidate. District No. 4: W. H. Matthews, no Republican candidate.

District No. 5: Jere N. McKeithen, Drewry E. Troutman.

For Prosecuting Attorney of

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